

OCEANS OF MUD.

the spirit of the times seems—bloated, funny, absurd—just such as are calculated to keep the risibles in constant excitement. Luffingwell, true to his author, and throws into the character a fund of humor which few other actors are capable of doing. The audience was a good one, considering the state of the weather. This evening Luffingwell will appear in two of his excessively amusing specialties. "The Gushing Clifford" and "The Girl of the Period," and "Romeo Joffe Jenkins." He has appeared in the latter character over eight hundred times.

ep him to make love, and

Shoed, and ponds and lakes stand everywhere
Such a long, steady rain as we have had can-
not to accomplish good, and the city will no
doubt confidently for good news from heav-
enly waters. Let it come.


Skating Rink.

This is public night at the Rink, and, rain
snow, hail or wind, Mr. Glover keeps his hall
in condition. Strangers will do well to go and
enjoy the evening.

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Ad-A White Pine landlord thus advertised his hotel in the local papers: "And Joseph wept aloud, and he said unto his brethren, 'I am Joseph; doth my father yet live?' And his brethren answered him: 'Yea bet; the man is doing badly, for he boards at the Commercial.'"

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 A Chicago man offers to bet he can effectually tie the Davenport with their own rope.

history of the city
were more emphatic

and home and love, but his heart was
a flint; he would none of these things
looked from his casement and the
young man void of understanding; he
among his companions enjoying the
pleasure of wine and the dance, but
that that man's ways were not
wicked; he looked abroad and saw
fools tilling in love with each other
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word "fall." In time the reckless com-
word of his youth who would

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The potato crop in Pike county, Indiana is so abundant, and the price so low, that some of the farmers are feeding their potatoes to the hogs rather than haul them to market.

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Lardineburg, proposing

leading to the heart, causing death in ten minutes. Great excitement prevailed, and there was considerable danger of lynching the hoary-headed murderer on the spot.

☞ Louisiana will never regain her former splendid production of 500,000 hoghead sugar with emancipated negro labor, though the number of that class should be doubled, trebled beyond that which, under the old system, produced 500,000 bales of cotton and like number of hogheads of sugar.

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LOUISVILLE.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 1869.

EVENING DISPATCHES.

FOREIGN.

Opening of the French Senate and Corps Legislatif.

Speech of the Emperor.

He Cashes Over the Felicitous Condition of Affairs and the Modern Improvements.

(BY CABLE TELEGRAPH.)

FRANCE.

THE EMPEROR'S SPEECH.

PARIS, Nov. 29.—The session of the Senate and Corps Legislatif was reopened to-day with great ceremony by the Emperor, who delivered the opening speech from the throne. It was hoped the Emperor might possibly return in time to take part in the ceremonies, but she has not yet reached Paris. The Emperor said it was not easy to establish regular and peaceful liberty in France for months past. Society seemed to be menaced by subversive passions, and freedom had been compromised by the excesses of the present and of public assemblies; but common sense had already properly judged these culpable exaggerations, which, after all, have served but to prove the solidity of the edifice founded by popular suffrage. But this uncertainty and trouble must last no longer. The will of the people must be made known. France wants liberty with order. Order is a law for her. Help me Messieurs to secure liberty between those who would change all and those who could grant nothing. A glorious cause could be chosen. The Emperor then referred to a *senatus consultum* of September last, which he said he had proposed with the purpose of inaugurating a new era of conciliation and progress. It was the task of the Chambers to aid him in carrying out the plan.

He proceeded to enumerate the reforms which were to be made. He pronounced the situation of the country satisfactory, and declared that the more he was ready, however, to grant reforms, the more decided he was to maintain the principles of the Constitution. The relations of France with foreign powers were friendly. Sovereigns and people desired peace. The Emperor continued as follows: "We have reason to be proud of our epoch. The New World suppresses slavery, Russia feeds the serf, England renders justice to Ireland, the Bishops are meeting at Rome for wise and conciliatory purposes, the progress of science draws the nations closer to each other, while America unites the Atlantic and Pacific. Everywhere capital and intelligence combine to connect by the electric wire all nations. France and Italy will soon be joined by a tunnel through the Alps, and the Suez canal has already united the Mediterranean and Red seas. The Emperor is not present to-day because I desired her to testify the sympathy of France with the underlier perseverance of a Frenchman." The Emperor concluded in the following words: "Messieurs! You resume your labors after an unusual interruption of the season. I hope the bodies of State will apply loyally the modifications lately made in the constitution. There is to be a more direct participation of the nation in its own affairs. This will be a new force for the empire. May the chambers prove faithful in the following negotiable excesses, France can support institutions, which honor civilized nations."

POLITICAL REUNION—PROMISED REFORMS.

PARIS, Nov. 29.—There was a reunion of the Senate and the Corps Legislatif to-day. The Emperor was present and made an important speech. He said that between negotiable excesses, France can support institutions, which honor civilized nations. He announced himself ready to grant reforms. In closing he complimented the United States.

CINCINNATI.

Progress of the Bible War—Arguments.

CINCINNATI, Nov. 29.—The following points occurred in the argument of W. M. Ramsey yesterday before the Superior Court, for plaintiffs, in the case enjoining the School Board from expelling the Bible from the common school system. To show themselves entitled to the relief prayed for the plaintiffs must establish two propositions:

- First, That religious instruction, in contemplation of law, is an essential element in our common school system of education.
 - Second, That the Board of Education of the city of Cincinnati has not power to prohibit all religious instruction in the schools of the city.
- These propositions will be met, it may fairly be anticipated, by—
- First—A general denial.
 - Second—The affirmation that irrespective of any action upon the part of the School Board upon religious instruction, respectfully submit that religious instruction is an essential part of our common school system of education. Our common school system was organized under the constitution of 1802. Schools were established by the Legislature in 1803, and the constitution is contained in the words constituting the concluding sentence of the third section of the bill of rights. Religion, morality, and knowledge being essentially necessary to good government and the happiness of mankind, schools and the means of instruction shall forever be encouraged by legislative provision not inconsistent with the rights of conscience.
- After attempting to show that the constitution and laws favor religious instruction in schools, he says: "But I affirm with entire confidence as a proposition of law that, had the constitution been as silent as these laws as to the purpose for which schools were to be established, had it simply declared that it should be the duty of the Legislature to establish schools, the construction would be as it is now, by the express language, of that instrument. He then quoted the customs of public schools of other countries, and the grants of State authority for establishing schools in the United States, Athens

and Oxford, Ohio, among the instances, to show religious instruction was contemplated. In conclusion, he said these resolutions forbid all religious instruction. As before remarked, they are in substance repudiation, not only of Christianity, but of all religion, in the broadest sense of which the term is susceptible. They clearly constitute such cases as were supposed by the court in pronouncing the opinion in the *Girard* case, but which that case was not answered or denied by the court so far as its conclusions were concerned, holding that Christianity might be taught in the orphan's college by pious laymen.

WASHINGTON.

Superior Court Decision—Sale of the

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—In case 200, appeal from the Circuit of Northern Illinois, judgment has been given in favor of the widow of one Moshey for recovery of an accidental policy of insurance from the Traveler's Insurance Company.

Alex. Delmo has purchased the National Intelligencer, to take effect on and after January 1, 1870.

FOREIGN MAILS.

Exchange of mails between the United States and France will cease in consequence of the abrogation of the present postal conditions between the two countries.

BOSTON.

Good Imitation Greenbacks—Highway

Robbery—Boiler Explosion—Church Burned.

BOSTON, Nov. 29.—Counterfeit U. S. ten dollar bills have just made their appearance and are excellent imitations. In Peabody, Saturday, Nathaniel Lord, a well-known citizen, was knocked down in the road and robbed. It is feared his injuries are fatal. Robbers escaped. Early this morning the boiler in the shoe manufactory of Jos. Curtis, at Woburn, exploded, dangerously scalding the engineer, named Barnes. One or two other employees were seriously injured. The Catholic Church in Weymouth was destroyed by fire on Saturday. No insurance.

THE WEST.

Destructive Fire at Topeka—Indian

Raiders.

TOPEKA, Kas., Nov. 29.—The Ritchie Block, occupied by Whitler & Co., hardware, Wm. Pinkston, battery, Lynn & Lien, hardware, J. G. Hope, Liquors, U. S. land office, Old Fellows' office, &c., was burned last night; loss about \$30,000, partially insured. The contents of the land office were entirely destroyed.

The latest intelligence from Cheyenne reports troops in pursuit of Indians who had been troubling woodchoppers during the past week.

CATALEPSY IN CHICAGO.

A Young Man Fourteen Years in a

State of Suspended Animation.

(From the Chicago Republican, 28th.)

On the 15th inst. residents in the vicinity of No. 249 Illinois street saw at the entrance to that mansion a small piece of black crape attached to the door bell, announcing that the Angel of Death had not passed over, but had stopped in his flight, and been placed in a loved member of the household; and the next morning the following obituary notice appeared in the Tribune:

HALE—in this city Nov. 14, M. M. Stuart, son of Thomas and Matilda Hale.

Due notice of funeral will be given.

The same afternoon, the 16th inst., the watchers looked on the fact that the remains, which had been placed in the coffin, showed none of the usual appearance of death. There was the natural warmth, the muscles were firm, and to all outward appearances the seal of death was wanting. The pulse had ceased to beat, there was no action of the heart, and the lungs failed to perform their wonted duties. All that evening, and night the same phenomenon was observed. The family physician, and several other prominent men in medical circles in the city, were called in. They made a careful examination, but the result of their investigations we have not learned. Mrs. Hale, the mother of the young man, suggested that he be taken from his winding-sheet, and placed in bed. This was accordingly done. Carefully and tenderly he was lifted out of his narrow cell, placed in the bed, and outwardly appeared the seal of death was wanting. The next day brought no change in his appearance or condition. The members of the family and kind friends have constantly visited him, but stimulants have been tried; but so far all efforts have proved vain. At 10 o'clock last night there was no change in his appearance, better or worse. The family and friends have resolved, and rightly too, that so long as no signs of death are manifest, they shall not be consigned to its last home. The young man had been for some months suffering from an abscess of the liver, and bleeding from the nose and liver had been introduced into the stomach at intervals, and none of it has been expelled. Dr. Blaine and other physicians experienced with galvanic treatment have given up every other remedy. There was an appearance of perspiration on two or three occasions, and also symptoms of a return of circulation in the blood in the right arm. Some of the physicians think that the forehead exhibits signs of decomposition.

SHAFER.

Butler's Chief Butler, and What the

World Thinks of Him.

A correspondent of the New York World thus writes of Shafer, the defender of Gen. Butler:

Charles J. Wilson Shafer was born in an adjoining county, in this State, but for many years has been a resident of the city of Freeport, Illinois. Before the war he was a poor man, and earned his living honestly by working at his trade—that of a cabinet-maker. I believe. But not content with that, he abandoned an honest calling for that of a politician, and was elected clerk of the Circuit Court for the county of Stephenson, Illinois. The rebellion breaking out before his term of office expired, he resigned his position and entered the army as a private soldier. He was promoted to the rank of sergeant, and then to that of lieutenant. He was a member of Butler's staff during the General's reign in New Orleans, a position which he held until Butler was relieved of his command at that point. I have yet to learn that he was promoted to this position on account of meritorious service on the field or elsewhere.

It was soon known that he was a man of wealth. He purchased his possessions by thousands. Instead of the humble cot he once lived in, a palatial mansion was reared, costing in itself a moderate fortune. Costly entertainments were given by his family, and the great Butler himself was there his guest. He no longer exercised his mechanical skill in constructing furniture, nor toiled over the dull technicalities of the dockets of Judge Sheldon's court in order that he and his family might live. Since then he has spent most of his time in the city of New Orleans, where he thinks worthy of emulation. His name may be seen figuring in the gossamer speculation, so strangely mixed with the impeachment of President Johnson, and his correspondence is dated at "Fifth Avenue Hotel."

I will leave to the readers of the World, who have been connected with our army during the late rebellion, to say how a fortune could have been accumulated during a couple years service as "Colonel and Chief Quartermaster of the Army of the Gulf."

The London Times encourages the Ministry to proceed in their Irish policy and adduces examples to show that every successive improvement in the social condition of Ireland has been followed by a sensible detachment of section after section from the ranks of the disaffected; that "fraternal or not as may be the laborer is their duty to address themselves to the task of removing from the administration of Ireland all occasion of just complaint."

MORNING DISPATCHES.

WASHINGTON.

Negotiations for Adjustment of the Alabama Claims.

Probable Transfer of the Question to Washington.

Speculations About the Income Tax.

The Supreme Court Preparing to Take a Recess.

Completion of the Annual Reports.

Executive Departments Besieged by Senators, Members and Others.

Etc., Etc., Etc.

THE ALABAMA CLAIMS.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—It was recently telegraphed in these dispatches that the negotiations for the adjustment of the Alabama claims had been reopened, which statement was soon followed by a denial from another quarter. The contradiction is a mere quibble, as the fact appears to be that this Government notified the British cabinet that it was ready to receive any new proposition which they might make, thus virtually asking that the negotiations might be transferred to Washington.

THE INCOME TAX.

Commissioner Delano adheres to the income tax, and will recommend Congress to continue it in force from July next. Several members, however, have determined to move for its reduction. The prevailing impression favors the rate of two per cent., with the exemption increased to two thousand dollars.

THE U. S. SUPREME COURT.

will take a recess about the 20th of December, which will last for one month. During said time the Judges will, for the most part, be engaged in writing opinions in cases that will have been argued in the court precedent to the date of taking the recess.

ANNUAL REPORTS.

All of the annual reports are completed, and will be ready to go into Congress on Monday next with the message, which will be delivered in manuscript and telegraphed on day of its delivery.

GENERAL SHERMAN.

has received the reports from all his department commanders and bureau officers, and laid the same before the Secretary of War on the day required by law preparatory to the meeting of Congress.

THE BUREAU OF PREPARATION.

The executive departments of the Government are beginning to present a lively appearance. The halls and corridors around the Secretary's doors are filled most of the day with Senators, members and other distinguished persons awaiting interviews. Every train brings many more who are awaiting themselves of the few days between now and the meeting of Congress to transact business which they have before the departments.

DEPRECTIONS ON POSTOFFICES IN KENTUCKY.

The postoffice department having been informed that lawless bands of men have in some instances violated the postal laws in Kentucky, and compelled postmasters to deliver up letters belonging to other parties, General Sherman has taken a summary way of putting a stop to such depredations, by giving notice to postmasters that the outrages have been committed that if they are repeated the offices will be closed, and the people who tolerate such outrages will be subjected to the inconvenience of being without mail service.

PURCHASE OF BONDS.

At the present rate of purchasing bonds, the accrued interest on the sinking fund by the first of January will be nearly \$200,000 in gold, which amount will be disposed of at public sale and the sum received applied to the purchase of bonds.

RESIGNED.

Gen. Thos. L. Young's resignation of the Superintendency of Internal Revenue for the Southern District of Ohio was this morning accepted by Commissioner Delano. No successor has as yet been designated, but it is thought there will be a gentleman here within a day or two will be willing to accept the place either for himself or a friend of his.

A MONSTER PETITION.

A petition was received at the Internal Revenue Bureau this morning asking the retention of W. C. Kneifer as Assessor of the Twelfth Illinois District, the signatures of which in a single column covered a length of ninety feet. The document, which made quite a formidable looking roll, was brought to Washington by Mr. Kneifer in person.

SUPERVISOR APPOINTED.

Joseph Dwyer, Chief of the Internal Revenue Detective force, has been ordered to the Northern Ohio Superintendency, vice Heideges, deceased.

PACIFIC RAILROAD TRANSFER.

The President of the Union and Central Pacific railroads were here yesterday to consummate the sale of the road between Ogden and Promontory Point, but President Ames having no authority to make out a title, the department didn't issue the bonds, as they want the sale to be made by the Central. The subsidy which is to be given to the Central is to be transferred to the Union, who have sold it to a New York banking firm.

CONGRESSIONAL REPRESENTATION.

A movement of considerable importance among Western Republican members has just been developed in the preparation of a bill to increase Congressional representation from the present basis of two hundred and forty members of the House of Representatives to three hundred. The basis of representation is usually fixed after the taking of the census, but as the fifth census will hardly be completed before 1872, it is intended to pass a bill this winter slightly increasing the present basis of representation and providing for three hundred members for the 43rd Congress. Western men say that under the proposed apportionment Illinois, Iowa, and Wisconsin will increase their representation, while New England will be reduced two or three members.

CUBAN MATTERS.

A letter was received at the Navy Department to-day from Admiral Poor, commanding the Gulf squadron, stating that there was but little reliable news to communicate regarding Cuban matters. No battle has recently occurred and the skirmishing between the opposing forces had been slight. The Spaniards were representing that they were preparing for a vigorous campaign against the insurgents.

THE NAVY REPORT.

Secretary Robeson is still engaged on his annual report, and in the meantime Admiral Porter is showing installations into print of the report which he has prepared. Another portion appeared here to-day headed as the genuine report.

THE TARIFF.

The Ways and Means Committee to-day briefly considered, without result, the tariff

bill of last session. The committee, under the resolution of the House, are required to report a bill two weeks from Monday.

MISSISSIPPI.

Ex-Governor Sharkey arrived here yesterday from Mississippi, and expresses the opinion that Judge Dent will not be elected on that to-morrow's election in that State. He has supported Dent, but believes that under Gen. Ames' military regulations the Radical candidate will succeed.

GEN. HICKENLOOPER.

Marshal for Southern Ohio, left for Cincinnati to-night. It is published here that he is to Washington to keep in office, but it is not true, as his visit was of a private nature and there are not, as yet, published any candidates for his office.

REPORT ON THE TARIFF.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 29.—The Ways and Means committee had a quorum this morning and proceeded to business. The order of the House demands a report on tariff two weeks from to-day.

THE OFFICIALS GETTING READY.

Senator Edmunds, of Vermont, had an interview with the President this morning. Subsequently Senators Fish and Belmont and Attorney General Hall were in consultation with the President. The members of Congress who have arrived here have considerable business to attend to in the various departments. A large proportion have already had interviews with Secretary of the Treasury, the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, Treasurer of the United States, and other officials. The Secretary of the Navy is still engaged in the preparation of his report. Delano's report will be handed to Secretary Boutwell.

APPOINTMENTS.

Edward R. Ryan has been appointed Assessor of Internal Revenue in the Second District of New York, vice McFarland, who recently shot Mr. Richardson. The following Assistant Assessors have also been appointed: Wm. H. Herr, Fourth District, Pennsylvania, and Wm. A. Herron, Twenty-second District, Pa.

BILLINGHAM'S MISSION.

Mr. Billingham, several weeks ago, authorized a gentleman, who had just returned from Europe, to make the statement that the constant reports of the dissatisfaction of the Chinese Government with his mission originated in China among those opposed to American civilization and other grounds and to the policy of that government.

His diplomatic conduct has been in entire accord with it and has therefore received its approval. His mission will be extended beyond two years. In February he will proceed from Berlin to St. Petersburg and also stated that his mission would be a complete international triumph for China and place her among the controlling nations of the world.

CINCINNATI.

Billiard Tournament—Corporation not

Indictable for a Nuisance—The Bible Case in Court.

CINCINNATI, Nov. 29.—The Billiard Tournament for the State championship commenced this afternoon by a carom game, push barred, 500 points up, each carom to count 3. J. Casper, of Norwalk, 326, Jno. Grunkmeyer, of Cincinnati, 326. Grunkmeyer, 63, Jas. Cheery and John Williamson of Cincinnati, play to-night. Asa Brand, the remaining competitor, will probably go East to-night. A death in the family of the umpire, Dave Kendall. The tournament closes Wednesday.

Judge Jones, County Court of Common Pleas, in the case of the State of Ohio against the Cincinnati Fertilizer Manufacturing Company, indicted for nuisance, to-day decided that the corporation could not be so indicted, on the ground that by the law of 1857 only parties whose persons the sheriff could bring in court were indictable.

In the Superior Court, general term, to-day Judges Storor, Hoggan, and Tait on the bench, the hearing of the arguments on the merits of the case against John D. Minor and others on the order restraining the execution of a resolution of the School Board prohibiting the reading of the Bible in the public schools was commenced. Counsel for the plaintiffs, Ramsey, Surr, and King, and defendant, Hoadley, Slatto, and Mathews. Ramsey argued in the forenoon; Slatto argued for the defense in the afternoon.

The argument will be completed to-morrow.

MEMPHIS.

Troubles Increasing in Mississippi—

Bloody Riot in Sulfur County—

Postmaster General Presswell has taken a summary way of putting a stop to such depredations, by giving notice to postmasters that the outrages have been committed that if they are repeated the offices will be closed, and the people who tolerate such outrages will be subjected to the inconvenience of being without mail service.

RAILWAY NEWS.

The Henderson Reporter says only five miles of the work of graduation on the Owensboro and Louisville railroad, between Owensboro and Louisville, remains to be completed. The entire work will be completed and ready for the rails in the course of a few weeks. If Henderson had been half as energetic as Owensboro in raising money, the road to Louisville would have been completed twenty years ago.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the East Tennessee and Virginia railroad was held in Knoxville on the 28th inst. A financial statement was made, showing that the gross earnings of the road for the year were \$327,734.43, exclusive of the year, \$245,481.00, leaving a balance of \$155,255.60 over expenses to pay interest on bonds, etc. The President gave an explanation of the loss sustained by the company of two hundred and eighty-five Tennessee bonds, which had been deposited with Powell, Green & Co., and by them appropriated without the consent or permission of the officers of the company. The stockholders resolved to call a series of resolutions favorable to the consolidation of the East Tennessee and Virginia and East Tennessee and Georgia railroads. The resolutions were unanimously adopted.

TEST OF THE NEW ATMOSPHERIC BRAKE.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Nov. 28.—A very successful test of the Westinghouse atmospheric brake was made on the Pittsburg, Cincinnati and St. Louis railroad yesterday. A special train of six passenger cars, from the Pennsylvania R. R., with a number of the prominent officials from the different railroads here, and the Pennsylvania and Pennsylvania Central Railroads, was run from this city to Cambridge City. Several stops were made, when the train was running at a speed equal to 40 miles per hour, in 18 seconds, and in a distance of less than six hundred feet from the time the steam was given until the train came to a full stop.

CINCINNATI AND OHIO RAILROAD COMPLETION.

RICHMOND, Va., Nov. 28.—The completion of the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad has been ratified by a contract with C. P. Huntington on W. H. Asa, of Cincinnati, and his associates. The Asa, for the completion of the road. The gentlemen named and their associates were elected Directors for the ensuing year, with Joseph R. Anderson and Gen. Wickham. The contracting parties are to finish the road or get nothing for their labor. It is stated that Mr. Huntington will be President and reside in New York, and Gen. Wickham, at present President, will be Vice President, to reside in the city of Cincinnati.

LAST RAIL Laid.

BANGOR, Me., Nov. 28.—The last rail of the Bangor and Piscataqua railroad was laid Friday afternoon. The road will be open to regular traffic about December 15th. A movement will be made to extend the road to the terminus of the terminus.

GOLDMETS, HILLSBORO AND MAYSVILLE RAILROAD.

CINCINNATI, Nov. 29.—Private advices state that the Columbus, Hillsboro & Maysville railroad company will be incorporated in a few days. A meeting will be held at the Burnet House Wednesday of persons here and abroad interested in the road.

INDIANAPOLIS, CINCINNATI AND LAFAYETTE.

CINCINNATI, Nov. 29.—The stockholders of the Indianapolis, Cincinnati and Lafayette railroad elected the following Directors to-day: Geo. T. A. Morris, Indianapolis; A. R. Forsyth, Greensburg; Ind. L. B. Lewis, Lafayette; Ind. R. C. Lord, W. W. Smith, Cincinnati; Wm. A. Booth, John S. Kennedy, Geo. Bliss, of New York; J. S. Fay, of Boston.

At a meeting of merchants to-day Mr. Burns, President of the Merchants' Association, and Pittsburg railroad company, proposed to run the road if they would advance him twenty thousand dollars. If they declined he would resign. The merchants declined and adopted resolutions asking the Legislature to ratify the sale of rail road to the Nashville and Chattanooga road.

A NEW RAILROAD PROJECT.

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Organization of the North and Southwestern Railroads.

CHICAGO, Nov. 29.—A special from Omaha says the North and Southwestern railroads are to be organized Saturday night, deciding that they would build at least ten miles of each road before the middle of February. Iron for the Southwest has already been sent for. Wyoming coal is being brought to Omaha in large quantities. The M. & N. R. is taking the place of Eastern coal there.

A Sixteen-thousand-dollar Robbery.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Nov. 29.—A young man named Joseph Williams, formerly of Tennessee, was knocked down to-night while going from the depot to his home. He had just received the money at Leavenworth from his father's estate. No clue to the robbers.

CLIVELAND.

CLIVELAND, O., Nov. 29.—W. H. Wise, express messenger on the Cleveland and Pittsburg railroad, shot himself yesterday on the head this afternoon, as the train entered the Cleveland depot. He left a note stating that whiskey and friends were the cause of the deed. Charles Thomas, on the West Side, was murdered yesterday in his store, by a man named Jones, alias Bobbitt, and probably for the same reason. Bobbitt is in a bad condition, but will probably recover. Bobbitt has been arrested.

NEW YORK.

Another Stir in Cuban Circles.

The Junta Again Filled With Hope.

Mr. A. D. Richardson Still Lives.

He Marries Mrs. McFarland and Wins Her His Property.

EXCITEMENT IN CUBAN CIRCLES.

NEW YORK, Nov. 29.—There is a good deal of excitement around the headquarters of the Cuban Junta to-night, assurances having been received from Washington that the President will take a decided stand on the Cuban question before the meeting of Congress. A mass meeting is called for Friday evening, when Senator Wilson will be here and General Wilson will speak. Petitions to Congress praying for the recognition of the Cuban belligerency are receiving thousands of signatures, and will be transmitted to Washington early next week, and the Cubans are again full of hope; and, while enlisting the sympathies of members of Congress for their cause, are quietly fitting out another expedition, which will leave Philadelphia by the end of this week. Two tugboats with recruits, will join the expedition from this port.

RICHARDSON.

The ball was extricated from Richardson's back this morning, and the patient at a late hour this evening was said to be in a comfortable condition, but not out of all danger. It is reported that Richardson was married this afternoon to Mrs. McFarland, and that he has will to her all of his property, consisting of four Tribune shares, the last of which he purchased for eight thousand dollars from John Russell Young when the latter left the establishment.

THE ERIE AFFAIR.

NEW YORK, Nov. 29.—The suit of the Erie Railroad Company vs. Com. Vanderbilt was resumed before Judge Barnard to-day. Mr. Alaire, paying teller of the Manhattan Co., testified that the \$400,000 and \$500,000 checks were paid out of Erie money. Judge Beach moved to dismiss the complaint on the ground that no cause of action was made out. There was no proof of fraud and conspiracy given, and in fact the Erie railroad had fraudulently paid out money, it could not sue to recover.

THE GUNBOATS.

On Thursday afternoon a motion to discharge the Spanish gunboat, from the custody of the Marshal, on the ground that no war exists between Spain and Peru, and no proof exists of the gunboats being intended to act offensively against Peru, will be argued before Judge Blatchford. District Attorney Purpont gives it as his opinion that the motion will be denied.

THE SEA-SERPENT MORE.

The bark *Scottish Pride*, from Bordeaux, at this port, reports that in latitude 28 deg. 16 min., longitude 74 deg. 5 min., saw two sea-serpents—one about 15 or 20 feet long and 6 or 8 feet in thickness, and another about 5 feet long. They looked about the color